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Dear Ms. Hambleton:

We have completed our review of the Watershed Protection Plan (WPP) for the Village Creek – Lake Arlington Watershed. This document was initially submitted to EPA February 14, 2019. We are very pleased to inform you that USEPA Region 6 finds the plan as meeting all nine elements in the EPA NPS Program guidance, and is hereby accepted as complete under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act.

The Village Creek – Lake Arlington Watershed extends 28 stream miles, and covers 143 square miles (91,402 acres) in North Central Texas. The Lake Arlington reservoir in southern Tarrant County serves as a water supply to six municipalities. TCEQ reports that Village Creek has been listed for exceeding state water quality criteria for bacteria since 2010, and that Lake Arlington has levels of concern for nitrates and chlorophyll a.

This WPP was authored by the Trinity River Authority (TRA), and developed by the Village Creek-Lake Arlington Watershed Protection Partnership. EPA realizes that creation of this document required much coordination of diverse stakeholders, and successful implementation of this WPP will depend on continued stakeholder involvement.

EPA looks forward to our continued cooperative successes in watershed planning in Texas. We greatly appreciate the efforts put forth in development of this WPP, and look forward to supporting implementation of identified management measures. We congratulate TCEQ on completion of this WPP for Village Creek – Lake Arlington Watershed, and commend TCEQ staff on directing development of this document.

If you or your staff have any questions regarding this review, feel free to contact me at 214-665-6668.

Sincerely,

Mike Bira

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